

House Resolution No. 483

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have admirably dedicated their lives and careers to the education of youth through University of Missouri Extension Centers; and

Whereas, Pat Spire of Maryville enjoyed a thirty-three-year-long association with University Extension as a Youth Education Assistant, a productive endeavor which she brought to a close during December 2002 with retirement; and

Whereas, enthusiastic about creative ways to engage youth in their educational opportunities, Pat Spire was noted for such programs as Bread in a Bag, Worms and Germs, Home Alone, and Character Counts as well as more traditional 4-H programs which included the Northwest Area Basketball Tournament, Achievement Days, Recognition Nights, Livestock and Horse Shows, Computer Days, Summer Camps, and others; and

Whereas, Pat Spire also earned distinction for her labors with the Nodaway County Fair Board, United Way, and other esteemed organizations with a local presence, and for her longtime professional partnership with Youth Specialist Scott Graham until his retirement in 1998; and

Whereas, on Sunday, January 19, 2003, Pat Spire was treated to a reception at St. Gregory's Parish Hall where she received numerous honors and accolades from University Extension and 4-H representatives, snacked on cakes made by 4-H members from each of the nine Nodaway County 4-H Clubs, and basked in the love of her extended family which includes her beloved husband of many years, Gene; Brittney Adwell, Doug Spire, Cody Spire, Bryce Adwell, Stephanie Spire, and Kolbi Spire of Blue Springs; Kirbee Spire, Ed Spire, Derk Spire, and Patty Spire of Maryville; Teri Tobin, Nikki Tobin, Jessi Tobin, Clint Tobin, and Dan Tobin of Pickering; and Jodi Nelleson and Jay Nelleson of Kingdom City:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the more than three-decade-long career of Pat Spire with University Extension and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations and best wishes as she partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the well-deserved retirement of Pat Spire of Maryville, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 483, adopted February 25, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker